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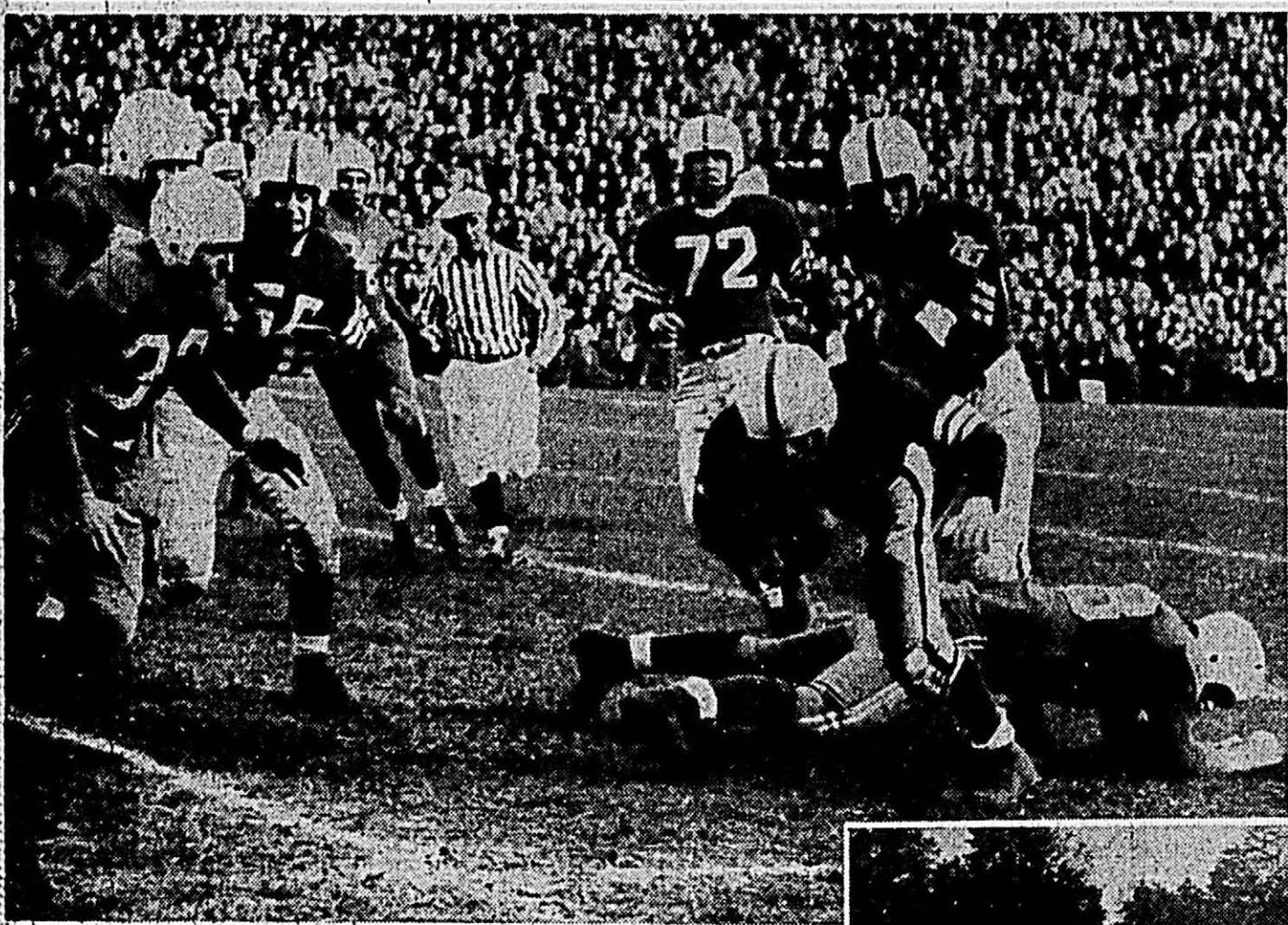
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ACADEMIC STANDING

The Students Executive Council has passed a motion which bars "conditioned" students from holding office.

According to testimony presented at the last meeting of the council, the large number of failures among student office-holders has become a matter of considerable concern to university authorities. The "mortality rate" for this group of students has certainly been excessive.

On the surface, this legislation by the council would appear to be a commendable approach to the problem. For every student office-holder who attains an academic standing somewhat lower than his real capability, however, there are several hundred students who hold no office whatsoever but do very poorly in their exams.

The net result of the new ruling will be merely to place an additional burden upon the already over-burdened directors of the various activities. It will be that much harder to obtain adequate assistance — if it is possible at all. Furthermore, we forecast that the student body will resent the council extending its authority to the academic field.

The root of the problem is the fact that there are too many activities on the campus and many of them are far too ambitious for people

UNGRATEFUL

Although the sad experience of western European countries was known to them, students at the University of Toronto voted to affiliate with one of the Kremlin's most active propaganda agents, the International Union of Students. (The Toronto students, it should be noted clearly, did not endorse the policies of this Communist effort to unite the students of the world in a program aimed at the conversion of free nations into huge concentration camps. Apparently motivated by an excessive idealism, they hoped to steer the Communist youth away from political action.)

Officials of the International Union of Students have, we believe, been most ungrateful to the Toronto students. No sooner did they vote to affiliate than they became the subject of one of the carefully twisted propaganda items in the "news" bulletin issued at Prague by the "Press and Information Department" of the International Union of Students.

Under the heading "Peace News Or Advertisements" the Communists distributed the following "news" throughout the world: "Toronto—A special issue of the university student paper was published recently on the subject of the hydrogen bomb and its menace to peace and life. The student editors were sharply reprimanded by the university authorities for removing advertisements from the paper to make way for articles on the bomb. They resigned in protest, but as a result of strong student support they are again editing the paper. Toronto students recently voted for affiliation with I.U.S."

As The Daily has fully reported in previous issues, there was a squabble between the Toronto Students Administrative Council and the editors of The Varsity over advertisements removed from the paper. But this was settled to the satisfaction of all concerned without any interference on the part of the university administration.

Admittedly the Prague editors didn't twist the story into a pretzel — just a gentle twist. But the handling of the story and the innuendo makes an interesting study.



Convocation Address "How Many Rabbits?"

Below is the full text of the Convocation address delivered by Leonard R. Neiligan Ashley, B.A. (McGill), M.A. (McGill), F.O.B. (Chicago), at a special Convocation held under the Ginkgo Tree here late last night after he had been awarded the degree of D.O.A. (Doctor of Obscure Arts) honoris causa.

The year 1821 was a disastrous one.

Napoleon died — and so did Keats. Henry Thomas Buckle and Sir Richard Francis were born, and Sir Walter Scott published his deservedly forgotten novel, *The Pirate*. An Austrian force invaded Piedmont, Victor Emmanuel I was compelled to resign and the constitution was annulled. The Richelieu ministry fell. There was revolution in Morea, revolution in Greece, revolution in Mexico, revolution in Portugal, revolutions throughout all of Central America. Altogether, 1821 was a disastrous year.

McGill University was founded in 1821.

It is indeed a great honour to address this university, met in Convocation on such an historic occasion as this, the 129th anniversary of McGill. Another speaker might yield to the temptation to refer to its most glorious names — Osler (who left for a better job elsewhere), Laski (who resigned), and the illustrious physicist Sir Ernest Rutherford (who was requested to resign because, as everyone knows, the atom can not, Mr. Rutherford, be "split" as you foolishly contend).

I shall not yield to that temptation, nor shall I hold forth on Stephen Leacock, the only one of McGill's world-famous men who ever remained at McGill. (He enjoyed laughing.)

I do not pretend to be a hard-headed businessman. I'm not going to preach free enterprise, private initiative, a "realistic" approach, commercial perspicacity, or plain greed. I hardly belong at a Convocation at all because I'm not a successful industrialist. I'm not even a self-made man — and if I were I wouldn't be courageous enough to join the self-admitted self-made men. I wouldn't be brave enough to take the blame. I'm just a university graduate. University graduates are the causes of Convocations but they're out of place on the speaker's platform at such affairs.

Let me say briefly that you do not stand upon the threshold of a brave, new world. You probably do not have your eye on the goal, your shoulder to the wheel, your ear to the ground, your foot on the right path, your heart open to the little creatures of the earth, or even your examinations presumably over — your nose to the grindstone. As the threadbare sun sinks inevitably in the obvious west, and you say farewell to the hallowed halls of old McGill — and perhaps even to Montreal, Paris of the North, subwayless seaport and city — I will not call you the citizens of tomorrow nor exhort you to heave, carve, remember, improve, extend, carry on, or look forward to anything or anything.

I will not even refer to your heritage. I definitely will not mention your opportunities or your education. You may, indeed, not have any. A university education is in more ways than one a rare thing in the modern world. It is one of the very, very few things that people are willing to pay for and not get.

To you students of McGill — built on beer, railway stocks, and cigarettes — I need not recommend (Continued on Page 12.)

CAMPUS ZOO

The animal pictures elsewhere in this issue are from Campus Zoo, hilarious satire by Claire Barnes, Jr. (Doubleday and Company, Inc. \$1.25).

Following the successful pattern of his previous books, *White Collar Zoo* and *Home Sweet Zoo*, he combines photographs of assorted varieties of animals with appropriate captions to suggest human situations: the individual with the notice that the Dean wants to see him, the coach who lost every game, fraternity initiation night, and so on.

The sight of animals in situations which we know so well is sure to appeal to every McGill student. Look, for example, at the picture of a monkey grovelling abjectly on the floor, his face uplifted in supplication: "Just one more chance... please, Dean!"

Football games receive the most attention, suggesting that they are the most important events in the college year, while examinations appropriately merit less space than parties.

The satire is also directed at Graduation Day ceremonies, members of the Faculty, young love, and other important aspects of campus life.

Chances are that Campus Zoo could even draw a chuckle from the Three Bears.

Prof. Wopsle Outlines The Philosophy of Marks

by Ed Reid

"Sorry stoo-dent," said Professor Wopsle apologetically, as he opened the door of his office in answer to my knock. "I can't discuss the examinations just yet. I'm still marking them. We professors have to work once during the year, you know!"

I laughed at this typical example of the professor's wit and explained that The Daily hoped to include an article on examinations in the Convocation issue. "We wanted to get the opinions of a well-known professor with a reputation for clear, straight-forward thinking—so we chose you for an interview, sir."

"Well!" exclaimed Professor Wopsle, beaming. "Come right in, stoo-dent! Blow the dust off that chair and sit down, while I finish marking a few more papers. I'll be with you in a moment."

Professor Wopsle seated himself, picked up a red pencil, hummed happily, and continued correcting.

Whose Opinions?

Suddenly his tail quivered with displeasure.

"The nerve of some stoo-dents!" he exclaimed. "This individual has the audacity to question one of my theories about Obscurity, and actually quotes from an authority whose work, I plainly labelled as bunkum!"

"Two marks for that answer!" He picked up another paper. "Now here is a fine piece of work," he continued enthusiastically. "Every point which I made during my lecture is down on paper. A perfect answer!"

"But Professor," I asked, "how do you know that this person has not merely memorized his notes from your lecture, whereas the student who got two marks for his answer has plainly read books and thought about the subject?"

Professor Wopsle laughed heartily.

"Well!" he said, "the explanation is simplicity itself. Obviously the greater number of marks should go to the more intelligent individual; plainly the one who understands my point of view!"

He certainly had something there.

Canada First!

I asked Professor Wopsle his opinion of so-called 'objective' exams; the fill-in-the-blank type which test a student on his knowledge of the whole year's work.

"That's an American idea, isn't it?" he remarked, smiling broadly. "Let's leave innovations of that sort below the border." Professor Wopsle went on to say that he believes firmly in the good old, down-to-earth Canadian way of life. He discounts the notion that we may get so down-to-earth that we become stuck in the mud.

Dubious Doings

"What is your general opinion of the papers which you have marked so far this year?" I asked.

"The usual standard. A large number of the stoo-dents unfortunately did not have time to finish the paper, for their writing trails off into an illegible scrawl half way through their last answer, and many of them have added a note such as 'Sorry, but I didn't have time to finish.'"

"However, I am puzzled by the fact that almost all of these stoo-dents (Continued on Page 12.)"

If you think the examinations this year were nerve-racking, consider what the medical students in 1850 had to live through. The examinations for the degree of the University were conducted orally, ten minutes being allowed to each examiner. The janitor, supplied with a watch and a large bell, was placed in the hall outside the library, the room in which the examinations took place. At the expiration of each ten minutes he rang the bell, and the candidates went from one to another. This was continued until the student had completed the round of examining professors. Immediately on the termination of the examinations, the professors met and decided the fate of the candidates. The latter, in the meantime, waited in the College in a rather painful state of suspense. They were summoned separately before the Professors, and the result was made known to the individual.

From McGill and Its Story: Cyrus Macmillan.

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As Others See It

PITY FOR THE RED DEAN?

Part of the price we have to pay for a free society is that the Dean of Canterbury is allowed to go pretty much where he pleases and say what he professes to believe. This, often, is a great burden, which we have to bear as best we can.

Dr. Hewlett Johnson is in Canada at the moment. He is here under the auspices of Dr. James Endicott, and the Canadian Peace Congress, concerning whom we have commented in these columns before. And he says that Russia "enjoys political and religious freedom without concentration camps."

It is natural that idiotic statements like this should arouse sane and normal people to a frenzy. So, too, will such claims as Dr. Johnson's that the Russian system is "just as democratic as ours" but of a different kind. He also believes that, on Judgment Day, the Iron Curtain countries will enjoy a better chance of God's mercy than the nations of the West.

The peculiar form of madness which afflicts the Dean of Canterbury should arouse in our hearts not anger, but sorrow and pity. That a man who once showed such promise that he was appointed by the King to one of the noblest positions in the Anglican hierarchy should suffer from such blindness as Dr. Johnson's is a strange and sad phenomenon.

He is a sore trial to Anglicans everywhere, and especially to the Archbishop of Canterbury who knows full well the confusion which may exist in ordinary minds between the wild words of the Dean of Canterbury and the doctrines of the church.

But the problem is not easily solved. Deans of Canterbury are not readily dismissed from their posts, and short of unfrocking him there is little that can be done about Dr. Johnson. He could be unfrocked or dismissed only on the grounds of his political views — and there are obvious objections to such a course. The hierarchy, which presumably advised His Majesty to appoint Dr. Johnson to Canterbury, may ruefully reflect on the unwisdom of its choice but that will not solve the dilemma.

The Dean is permanently barred from the United States — injudiciously, we think, because the prohibition suggests that Washington is afraid of what he is going to say. We need not fear the effect of his words, which are not likely to influence ordinary, sober men. But he makes a tragic picture, this elderly and silver-haired prelate who is nothing more than the dupe and the tool of the most barbaric and un-Christian movement of modern times. It is kinder to leave him alone with his madness.

—The Calgary Herald

Player's Please

always

Plain and Cork Tip

REMEMBER — PLAYER'S "MILD" WITH "WETPROOF" PAPER DO NOT STICK TO YOUR LIPS

Classes To Hold Dinners

Set Baccalaureate Service for Sunday

Convocation weekend for the class of '50 will get under way on Friday, May 26 with the class parties of the various faculties. These will be followed by a German Beer Garden Party on Saturday, a non-denominational service and a tea on Sunday and on Convocation Day itself the Exercises, the Principal's Garden Party and the Convocation Ball.

The class dinner for the faculty of Architecture will be held in the Vice-Regal suite of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel on Friday, May 26, and will start at 7.30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Prof. J. Bland, the Director of the School.

The faculty of Law will hold their dinner in the LaSalle Hotel on Friday at 7.30 p.m. with Mr. W. F. MacKlaier as guest speaker. Mr. MacKlaier is the vice-president of the Graduates' Society.

The Engineering faculty will hold their dinner on Saturday, May 27 at the Windsor Hotel at 7.00 p.m. The Graduate Society will serve cocktails before dinner and entertainment and door-prizes are planned for the latter part of the evening.

The Faculty of Dentistry and the School of Physical Education have already held their dinners while the Faculties of Arts and Science, Medicine, the Library School and the Post-graduate School and MacDonald College will not hold them this year. At present-time it could not be ascertained whether the School of Commerce will hold a dinner or not.

On Sunday at 11 a.m. in the Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium, Dr. J. S. Thomson, Dean of the Faculty of Divinity will conduct a non-denominational Baccalaureate Service. He will be assisted by the Choral Society. The address will be given by Dr. F. Cyril James.

On Sunday afternoon at 4.00 p.m. an open house tea will be held for al. women and their families at Royal Victoria College. For others of the graduating class and their friends a similar tea will be held in the McGill Union.

Convocation Day opens with the Exercises followed by the tree-planting ceremony in the lower campus. In the afternoon the Principal's garden party will take place from 4.00 to 6.00 p.m., also on the lower campus. If the weather is unfavorable the reception will take place in the Currie Gym.

Large Exodus Coincides With Job Problem

"There is some concern that the students who are leaving the university this year may find the going more difficult than those who graduated in the earlier post-war years," reports Robert McKeown in the May 20 issue of The Standard.

"The record enrollments of 1945 and 1946 inevitably meant record graduating classes in 1949 and 1950. The 17,000 members of the Class of '50 have been added to the 16,000 in the Class of '49."

"The unfortunate thing is that this year's big class coincides with a period when unemployment again is becoming a problem. While there is little doubt that the graduates all will be placed in time, some will have to take jobs in fields other than the ones in which they had hoped to work."

"The situation is most severe in engineering. There are 3,600 engineers in the class of '50, about 70 per cent of them veterans. With the demand for engineers running at the rate of 2,000 per year, a third or so of the present class is expected to find difficulty in getting placed. A surplus of fengineers is expected to be a continuing thing until smaller classes brings supply and demand about even in 1954. After that there may again be a shortage."

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Principal's Message

'Coming Half-Century Will Be Shaped by You'—James

To each of you, graduates of the Class of 1950, I offer my congratulations and warm good wishes.

Although I hope that none of you has developed an undue interest in sevens or elevens, there is still a fascination in numbers. Neither 1949 nor 1951 captures our imagination as vividly as 1950. The twentieth century is half over, and you start out on your several careers at the moment when your own half-century, the half-century that will be shaped by you and your contemporaries, is dawning.

Good luck to each of you during all of those fifty years. You have already shown something of your quality, and realized at least the first of your ambitions. Some parts of the road ahead may be easier, some parts will undoubtedly be much harder, than the distance that you have already travelled, but I hope that what you have learned at McGill, and the memories of pleasant hours while you were here, will remain with you always as a strength and a pleasure.

Good luck to each one of you, and Godspeed.
F. CYRIL JAMES,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

\$10,000 Union Changes To be Completed by Fall

Change of Cafeteria to Short Order Bar Planned

"Renovations in the McGill Union costing approximately \$10,000 will be completed in time for use next term," Jim Cartier, newly-elected Union president said yesterday. Highlights of the changes are the conversion of the cafeteria into a short-order counter and a new color scheme for the ballroom and the Reading Room.

The new plan will do away with the serving of complete meals in the cafeteria; for special occasions such as banquets, meals will have to be brought in already prepared, from outside sources. It is expected that this will reduce labor costs. The possibility of having students accommodated for supper at RVC is being investigated.

Students wishing to eat at the new counter will write out their orders from the menu and retain a numbered stub. When the order has been prepared the numbers on the stubs will be posted and the students will be able to pick up their food.

Color changes are planned in the Ballroom. The walls will be painted a salmon color and the ceiling will be a two-tone blue with ridges in grey. Drapes of damask of blue tone on tone will be on the windows.

Turquoise walls will be featured in the changes in the reading room while a greyish beige ceiling and grey chair upholstery will complete the picture. New drapes also are planned here. They will be in a modern print of white, red, brown and grey. Floor lamps will provide the lighting in the room.

New University Bookstore Plans Opening in Fall

McGill students will be able to buy their texts from the university's new bookstore when they return to classes in the fall.

Textbooks will be sold at regular retail prices, said Mr. Ray Verrey, who has been appointed Manager of the store, and the profit distributed.

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Organizational expenses must be

Students who are conditioned, or on probation, or who are repeating their years will be unable to participate in regular extra-curricular activities sponsored by the Students' Society next session, according to a ruling passed by the Students' Executive Council at its last meeting of the term earlier this month.

Noting that "the University authorities and the SEC are greatly concerned over the number of academic failures occurring amongst students undertaking heavy extra-curricular activities," the resolution requires the executives of the regular and standing committees of the Students' Society to ensure that students who are not in good standing with the University cease their participation in those committees.

It is expected that this regulation will effect the enrollment in nearly every major student activity.

The Council also heard a report from the University that the Senate had approved the amendment to the Students' Society constitution passed at the last meeting of the Society raising the Society fees from 12 to 15 dollars.

The sum of 100 dollars was voted for the purchase of sporting equipment to be taken to England by the Oslor Volunteers, a small group of McGill students who will work this summer in the slums of London.

The Book Exchange will cease operations at the end of the present session. There is a possibility the Council heard, that the new University book store will take over its functions by the 1951-52 session.

taken care of first, said Mr. Verrey. He estimated that it would cost several thousands of dollars just to open the store.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the bookstore will not operate in the Union but will be located at 3480 University Street.

Mr. Verrey said that the main desire of the store was to provide efficient service. The books will not be sold at reduced prices because profits made from the sale of textbooks only will be barely sufficient to cover overhead expenses and salaries. It would also provide unfair competition to non-institutionally operated stores in the city.

The present students' bookstore operated by the engineers on a co-operative basis will be absorbed into the new plan.

A Committee of Management will assist Mr. Verrey by acting as liaison between the bookstore and the various faculties, and offering recommendations on policy to the Board of Governors on such matters as extension of types of books or other merchandise to be handled, price policies, etc. The Committee consists of Prof. R. de L. French, Chairman, Professors A.S.V. Burgen, G. I. Duthie, R. A. Chipman, the President of the Students' Society, Colonel S. H. Dobell, Comptroller, and Mr. Verrey.

It was felt that a bookstore oper-

Graduate Ball on Monday

Beer Party Is New Event on Program

The Convocation Ball—marking the last day of student life for most of the graduates—will wind up the weekend of festivities planned for the class of 50. It will be held on Monday, May 29, from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the Currie gym. Tickets are on sale in the Union Tuck Shop at \$6.00 a couple.

A new feature of the Graduation festivities is the German Beer Garden Party to be held on Saturday May 27, from 8.30 p.m. until midnight in the Upper field near Douglas Hall. Tickets are on sale at the party at 25 cents a person.

The new wing of the Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium will be used for the first time on Monday evening for the Convocation Ball. Special doors are being built in the walls so as to provide access to the new wing. Music will be provided by Mart Kenney and His Western Gentlemen from Toronto with Wally Koster and Norma Locke as the featured vocalists.

Soft drinks, mixers and cigarettes will be sold in the gym and a midnight snack will be served. Plans are being laid to have a bar in operation. Decorations in the gym are being handled by Joan O'Connell and will be designed on a mid-century theme.

Table reservations may be obtained by phoning "Reservations" at LA 2244 beginning Monday, May 22. On Saturday evening at the Beer Garden Party a German polka band will be present to lead the singing and dancing. Beer at 40 cents a quart and other liquid refreshments will be on sale. The Party is open to all graduates, their families and their friends. In the event of bad weather the party will be held in the Currie Gym.

Convocation Events Tabulated

The Convocation Committee has announced that tickets for the various events scheduled for Convocation Week may be obtained as follows:

Class Dinners: call your class president.

Beer Garden Party: at the gate, upper field, fifty cents per couple.

Convocation Ceremony: tickets for the actual degree-conferring ceremony can be obtained at the Registrar's Office.

Principal's Garden Party: if you haven't received a ticket in the mail, you can get one at the Union.

Convocation Ball: tickets at the Union, \$6.00 per couple.

Reservations for tables at the Convocation Ball: phone LA 2244 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.; ask for "reservations."

Further information is on page eight of this issue. Headquarters of the Convocation Committee is in the Board Room of the Union.

Floods Cover Campus, Stop Convocation

Winnipeg—(Special)—With the university grounds in suburban Fort Garry under several inches of water and the civic auditorium being used by the Red Cross, the University of Manitoba has been forced to cancel spring convocation.

The university buildings were evacuated last week just before the rising waters of the Red River completely surrounded them.

The largest graduating class in the history of the university, 1,100 men and 361 women, was scheduled to receive degrees. Registrar Douglas Chevrier announced that a ceremony will be held next October.

Dean's Notice

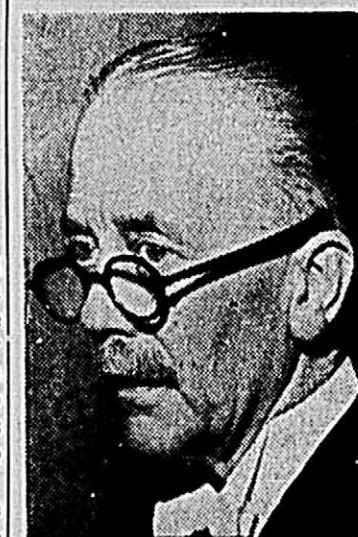
Supplementals Dates Issued

1. Supplementals

Because of the hardship which may be involved in requiring students to return to Montreal in order to write supplemental exams in September the Faculty of Arts and Science permits students (on payment of a special fee) to write such exams at certain other approved institutions e.g., at other universities, at certain junior colleges and at establishments under the department of National Defence. July 31.—Last date on which applications to be allowed to write supplementals at outside centres will be accepted. August 14.—Last date on which applications to write supplemental exams at McGill will be accepted. Applications to write the supplementals should be made to the Dean's Office. September 5.—Supplemental exams begin.

2. Registration for next session—Faculty of Arts and Science. September 28.—Registration of first year students. September 29, 30.—Registration of second, third, and fourth year students.

Awards of Four Honorary Degrees Included in Convocation Ceremonies



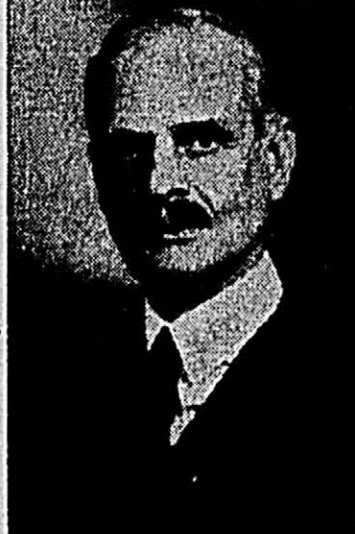
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Woolton, Cadogan, Astor, Wood to Receive LL.D.'s

By DON ALLEN

Three distinguished Britons and an eminent Canadian business executive are to join an estimated 1,800 students to receive degrees at McGill University's 1950 Spring Convocation on Monday, May 29. One of the Britons, Sir Alexander Cadogan, who is retiring chief British delegate to the U.N., will give the Convocation Address.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws and Letters (LL.D.) is to be conferred on Lord Woolton, Britain's wartime Minister of Food and chairman of the Conservative Party since 1946; Col. John Jacob Astor, publisher of The Times, London; Sir Alexander Cadogan, Britain's permanent representative on the Security Council of the United Nations; and Arthur B. Wood, McGill graduate and chairman of the board of directors of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. The LL.D. is traditionally an award for public service.

Some 450 Engineering students are expected to receive their degrees. This will be the largest number to graduate from the Faculty of Engineering at any convocation, it was reported. The last large class of ex-service personnel in the university will graduate this year.

Job Situation In U.S. Similar To That Here

Washington—(Special)—The employment possibilities for an expected half million American college graduates will not be as good as in 1947 and 1948, the U.S. Department of Labor has declared.

A moderate increase in the number of unemployed in the U.S., the filling of war-created shortages of college graduates by the large graduating classes of 1948 and 1949, and the size of this year's record graduation class were given as the basic reasons for the expected job shortage.

There is an acute shortage of elementary school teachers, the report indicated, but an over-supply of high school teachers.

Other professional fields in which stiff competition for jobs is expected in the next few years include: law, journalism, and personnel work. In engineering, the number of graduates will exceed the number of openings during the early 1950's; but after the next four or five years the employment situation for graduating engineers is likely to improve, the Department of Labor forecasts.

There will also probably be an over-supply of business administration graduates. A surplus of new graduates has already developed in the field of accounting.

Prospects for graduates are good in health service occupations. There is a current shortage of nurses, and demand for nursing service will probably continue to rise, it was indicated.

Opportunities in medicine and dentistry are good, but competition for admission to professional schools is stiff. In pharmacy the supply of new graduates has almost caught up with the demand; the profession may be over-crowded in the long run if enrollments in pharmacy colleges continue at present high levels.

Good opportunities are expected for other occupations important in health service, such as veterinarians, medical X-ray technicians, medical laboratory technicians, dental hygienists, physio-therapists, occupational therapists, and dietitians.

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McGill NFCUS Delegates For Seminar Announced

A Summer Seminar sponsored by the National Federation of Canadian University Students will be held from August 14th to September 4th at Fort Lennox, Quebec. This Seminar has been organized by the N.F.C.U.S. Committee of the University of Montreal and it will be a bilingual conference, consisting of students from all over Canada who are required both to understand and to speak French and English.

The theme of this summer's seminar is "A SURVEY OF CANADA". This theme has been broken down into three fields of research: (1) Economics; (2) History and Geography; (3) Humanities. Study and discussion on these subjects will be led by twelve Canadian professors, three from each of the regional districts of N.F.C.U.S. The entire seminar will be under the direction of Dr. Leon Lortie who is Assistant Dean of Sciences at the University of Montreal.

A total of 21 Canadian Universities plan to send delegates to Fort

Lennox this summer. Tuition and living expenses of all chosen delegates is to be paid by N.F.C.U.S., but the delegates are required to pay forty dollars into a travel pool which will be formed.

Students selected to attend the seminar have had to fill certain qualifications. A committee at each university chose students according to the following criteria: (Continued on page 9)

Grad Employment Situation Difficult But Not Critical

This year's graduates will have a harder time finding employment than graduates of last year, but the situation is not critical. This is the opinion expressed by Mr. C. M. McDougall, Director of the McGill Placement Service.

Engineers are the hardest hit. The demand for them is comparable to that of pre-war years, but this is the first post-war year that the supply of graduating engineers has been larger than the demand. Seventy-five per cent of this year's class is composed of veterans, which accounts for the fact that the total number of engineering graduates looking for jobs is the largest ever.

The Commerce class of '50 is relatively small and the Placement Service is having little difficulty in securing employment for its members. In the Faculty of Arts, so many graduates continue their education in other schools and faculties after they have completed their B.A. requirements that few are ready to compete in the job market. Science graduates are harder to place, although those who obtain an honors degree are usually accommodated quite easily.

Students who are graduating in the smaller schools and in the pro-

fessional faculties, with the exception of Law, are having no trouble in obtaining employment. While Law graduates are finding a scarcity of openings in the actual practice of Law, many are turning to other fields of business with success.

On the whole, women graduates are having a harder time than the men in the search for employment. There are many openings for stenographers but the number one preference of most girls is in the line of advertising or personnel work. Jobs are practically non-existent in both of these fields. However, the majority of women graduates are not as interested as the men are, in beginning work right after graduation, but would rather wait until the fall before they start actively hunting for jobs.

Also many take some type of business training after they graduate. Of a total of well over 500 students who have registered at the Placement Service, approximately 50 per cent have already been placed in jobs. The Service has asked that it be notified if students who have registered have obtained employment through other means, so that their names may be removed from the active list.

The Government of the United Kingdom is represented on the Atomic Energy Commission of the United States by Sir Alexander. This is yet another of the major diplomatic positions that have been held by the Englishman who has been labelled Britain's "perfect" diplomat.

Lord Woolton, who was the wartime Minister of Food on the British Cabinet, had the seemingly impossible task of feeding Britain's millions on the meagre food supplies that were available during the lean war years.

Lord Woolton was connected for many years with a prominent English department store. As personnel director he obtained practical experience as a social worker. For (Continued on page 9)

He is a past president of the Society of Actuaries and is now vice president for Canada of the International Congress of Actuaries.

As student, graduate and, since 1936, member of the Board of Governors, Mr. Wood has shown great interest in McGill University. At the present time he is a representative of the Board of Governors on the Senate and gives freely of his actuarial knowledge to several of the University's major financial committees.

Sir Alexander Cadogan has had 42 years in Britain's diplomatic service. He is retiring from the post which he now holds: that of British representative on the United Nations Security Council.

Sir Alexander attended Eton and Balliol College, Oxford and, on his graduation, entered the diplomatic service and was posted to Constantinople. He returned to Great Britain three years later when war was declared on Austria-Hungary.

He remained with the Foreign Office for nearly twenty years during which he reached the rank of Counsellor, received official honors, and admirably served his country. After both world wars he lent his brilliance and diplomatic talents to the task of solving the problems of peace.

He accompanied Prime Minister Churchill to the historic conference with President Roosevelt at which the Atlantic Charter was born. In 1944, after having participated actively in several international conferences, Sir Alexander travelled to the United States as head of the United Kingdom's delegation to the International Security Conference at Dunbarton Oaks. He was also in attendance at San Francisco in April, 1945 when the charter was prepared for the United Nations.

"Parents at Convocation" is one of 95 humorous pictures of animals which effectively lampoon many facets of campus life.

Graduates Society Offers Help to Class of '50

Services to Alumni Constantly Expanding

By HAL SMITH

The Graduates' Society of McGill University is almost as old as McGill itself. Founded in the 1850's it has grown steadily since that time until it now has forty-four branches in Canada, the United States, Jamaica, and Great Britain, and keeps track of the addresses of twenty thousand graduates.

The purpose of the Graduates' Society has always been to be of help to the University and its object is "to afford the members thereof the means by united efforts to more effectively promote the interests of the University and to bind the graduates more closely to one another and to the University."

Of the many branches of the Society the two largest are in Montreal, the Alumnae Society of McGill University for the Alumnae and the Montreal Branch for the Alumni. They offer the best possible media through which graduates and former undergraduates can keep in touch with each other in every part of the world, and in close touch with the University. The activities of these branches are many and varied to suit the taste and pocket book of all members. Membership automatically brings you the McGill News, the quarterly publication of the Graduates' Society, and membership in the Redpath Library. Members may join any of the Graduate Athletic Clubs and play squash, badminton, basketball, etc. They may attend the weekly meetings of the McGill Film Society, which shows many films not seen elsewhere in the city. They may attend the many social events and lectures arranged



JAMES A. de LALENNE (top), president-elect of the Graduates' Society, and **D. LORNE GALES**, general secretary. Mr. de Lalenne succeeds F. G. Ferrabee as president of McGill's thousands of graduates.



THOUSANDS OF NAMES are recorded in this specially bound volume of the Graduates' Directory which is being presented by F. G. Ferrabee, president of the Graduates' Society, left, to W. Kenneth Dunn, chairman of the Graduates' Society directory committee. It took two years of volunteer labor on the part of Mr. Dunn and his associates to complete the job.

President's Message:

Graduation Involves Privilege And Responsibility — Ferrabee

The Graduates and former Undergraduates, who comprise your "Graduates Society of McGill University," congratulate you, of this year's class, on your accomplishment and extend a very cordial welcome to join our number.

Although presently surrounded by hundreds of classmates and friends, your effort, in reaching the end of your course, has placed you in an extremely select group. All living McGill graduates only account for about one eighth of one percent of Canada's population. Spread around the world, as we are, makes us proportionately, infinitesimal. This involves both privilege and responsibility.

One privilege is the respect in which you will be held, because of your Alma Mater, and another is the comfort of the lifelong friendships, which you have started, on a basis not likely to be duplicated, later.

One responsibility is to take part in seeing that those, who follow, have the same opportunity that you have just taken. Others provided this for you to a considerable extent — for instance, endowments provided approximately sixty percent of the cost of your education — and you will want to think of this as you are able to help. Another responsibility is to keep in touch with your friends in case they need your help.

The Graduates Society was formed in 1850 to provide a means for you and me to shoulder, collectively, these not too onerous responsibilities. A continuation (on page 9).

Grad Society Aid to Student Is Reviewed

By PETER CARSON

Contrary to general opinion, the work of the Graduates' Society is not confined to alumni. Through its Undergraduate Interests Committee it provides many valuable services to McGill students. The aim of this committee is to maintain liaison with and assist students collectively and individually. It also seeks to create an interest in the Graduates' Society among the students in one way or another.

Various methods of maintaining this liaison were suggested at a meeting of this committee during the 1950 session. Proposals included meetings of the class executives of both third and fourth years with members of the Graduates' Society, closer connection with the various faculty organizations, participation in convocation ceremonies by graduates, and special lectures by various members of the Graduates' Society. This program will be aided by increased publicity for the services offered the students by the Graduates' Society.

Many of the opportunities which the graduates provide for the student body are worthy of mention. Last winter a legal advice committee, consisting of Montreal lawyers who are graduates of McGill was organized to provide emergency legal advice to students. The procedure followed was for a student to contact Clifford Knowles, University Chaplain, or, in his absence, T. H. Matthews, who, if they considered it advisable, would refer the student to that committee for assistance. The committee has

Mid-Century Highlights in McGill News

The highlights of McGill's history during the first half of this century will be featured in the summer issue of the McGill News. This Mid-Century issue will deal with all the various phases of McGill activity including administration, athletics and undergraduate events. It will be one of the largest issues put out and will consist of more than a hundred pages. Numerous illustrations, some dating back to the beginning of the century, of former sport greats, principals, old timers and of various famous and interesting events, will be included.

Some of the articles will be: The story of McGill's Principals, by the University's senior Governor, Mr. W. M. Birks; summaries of the careers of some of McGill's famous professional graduates by Dr. Woodhead; Fifty Years of McGill's Checkered Sport Story by D. Stuart Forbes; A Half-Century of Women at McGill, reviewed by Miss Maisie MacSparran; An Account of Undergraduate days of the past by "Finnie" Fletcher; The Story of the Graduate Society by D. Lorne Gales; an account of McGill's physical expansion by Gordon McL. Pitts; the story of Macdonald College by Dr. Snell; and a view of McGill in the future by Principal James.

All graduates who have subscribed to the Alma Mater Fund are automatically members of the Graduates Society and receive the News. The News appearing quarterly as Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter editions, is published by the Publications Committee of the Graduates Society under the editorship of David M. Legate.

handled numerous requests in this way and is serving a very useful purpose.

The grads have been very helpful in aiding in the current student housing problem. A year ago, after very thorough investigation, a report was submitted to the university on the student housing situation, with recommendation as to the various courses of action which could be taken to improve the housing situation at McGill.

Tangible assistance, including a financial guarantee to provide emergency overnight housing for certain out of town students was given to the room registry.

Many out of town students have benefited from the activities of the Graduates' Society. Last year arrangements were made to have a number of them entertained at the homes of graduates for Christmas dinner. It is expected that this activity will be continued on an enlarged scale during the coming session. Although the student response to Sunday teas at graduates' homes has been small this season, it is hoped that next year the interest will return to its previous peak.

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Students to Attend ISS Seminar

4 Scholarship Winners to Stay 5 Weeks in France

Names of four McGill students who have won International Students' Service scholarships that will allow them to attend a five-week seminar in France this summer were announced last night.

They are: J. Stuart Corey, Joan O'Connell, Isadore Rosenfeld and John Scott.

Some 120 students, about 40 from Canada and the rest from Western European countries, will be attending the seminar, to be held at Poigny, in the old province of Burgundy.

The Canadian delegation is scheduled to leave for Europe from Quebec city on June 26 on the S.S. Vollandam. The ship will leave Rotterdam for the trip back about Sept. 15, arriving in New York Sept. 15.

This is the third such seminar to be sponsored by the International Students' Service of Canada. The first was held two summers ago in Germany, and last year's seminar was held in Holland.

France was chosen as the site for this year's seminar following an invitation extended to the Canadian Committee of I.S.S. by the

Minister for Cultural Affairs in France.

"The Canadian Council for Reconstruction through UNESCO, which has supported our seminars in the past, is so impressed with the value of this work that it has agreed to supply the money for this seminar also," Dr. Marcus Long, chairman of the Canadian Committee, declared recently. The various provincial governments also contribute to the project.

The theme of the seminar will be "The Crisis in Western Civilization." Half the lecturing staff will be drawn from European universities and half from Canadian universities.

The general pattern of the seminar will be similar to the previous ones, with lectures being held in the mornings and small discussion groups in the afternoons throughout a five week period. The discussion groups will study the influence of British and German philosophy on American thought and the influence of North America on modern Europe economically and culturally.

In the development of the semi-

nar's theme, the following divisions will form the basis of the studies:

First week: Philosophic ideas and the impact of American thought on Europe.

Second week: Religious ideas, and an examination of the role of the church. Representatives of Catholic and Protestant churches will give lectures.

Third week: General political and historical development.

Fourth week: Economic and general social factors.

Fifth week: An examination of fascism, communism and liberal democracy as offering possible solutions to the problem.

Canadian delegates to these seminars are chosen by a committee consisting of the principal of the university, the president of the students society, a faculty representative appointed by the principal, the chairman of the local I.S.S. committee, and one other student appointed by the student council. Selection is based on academic standing, personality and participation in student activities.

Once again the Dutch Office of Foreign Student Relations (NBBS) has chartered ships to carry American and Canadian students to Europe for various seminars and tours in co-operation with the United States National Students Association.

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SCHOOL OF HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS

Avison, Joan, Macdonald College, Quebec; Banfill, Nina E. North Hatley, Que.; Boast, Georgina L. (Distinction), Kapuskasing, Ont.; Chapman, Nancy E. St. Catharines, Ont.; Church, Barbara L. East Riverside, N.B.; DeLaney, Ruth L. Montreal; Dwyer, Constance E. Montreal; Eskin, Joyce E. Ottawa; Evennett, Elizabeth R. Jamaica; Ferguson, Elizabeth R. Town of Mount Royal; Forbes, Enid A., Montreal; Gorman, Maxine T. Toronto; Goulet, Cherry E. Banff, Alberta; Hamlin, Marjorie A. Lennoxville, Prince George, B.C.; Linnings, Jack, Nancy M. Vancouver, B.C.; Lloyd, Marion E. New Brunswick; Lyster, Mildred G. (Distinction), Food Conservation Prize, Frentham, Que.; McDermid, Florence E. Buckingham, Que.; MacGregor,

Kathleen P. New Glasgow, N.S.; MacRinnon, Mary J. M. Nanaimo, Ont.; Matthews, Lillian B. Montreal; Merriam, Jean R. Crosby, Ont.; Metcalf, Pydie, Dundas, Ont.; Murdoch, Grace M. C. Ottawa; Nancy C. Ottawa; Oakes, Edith (In Absentia), Oshawa, Ont.; Parsons, Cynthia G. (Distinction), St. John's, Nfld.; Shedd, Sheila, St. John's, Nfld.; Taylor, Pamela M. St. Lawrence, Que.; Thompson, Patricia A. (In Absentia), Halleybury, Ont.; Thompson, Winifred V. (In Absentia), Halleybury, Ont.; Vrooman, Barbara M. Lindsay, Ont.; West, Shirley C. Windsor, Md.; Que.; Wight, Marian, Ottawa; Wolf, Elmer B. Montreal; Wright, Dorothy M. Outremont; Youd, Patricia, Hampstead.

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Alrth, John M. Renfrew, Ont.; Baldwin, Elwyn M. Renfrew, Ont.; Berrier, Raymond, Montmagny, Que.; Bigelow, Robert S. (Distinction), The Lochhead Memorial Prize, Macleod, Ont.; Bishop, Donald C., Berwick, N.S.; Campbell, James E. Emerald, P.E.I.; Chaplin, Edward R. (Distinction), Abbotsford, Que.; Coffin, Althes, Souris, P.E.I.; Cohen, David F., Anne de Bellevue, Corbett, Merwin K. Truro, N.S.; Corbett, Wendell O.N. Truro, N.S.; Coulthart, Peter H. London, Eng.; Crawford, Allan E. Pointe Claire, Que.; Decelles, William R. Montreal; Denner, Lucien R. Macdonald College, Que.; Dixon, David W. Galt, Ont.; Drake, Edward L. Cornwall, P.E.I.; Eagles, Stewart P. Salisbury, N.B.; Eastwood, Robert D. Montreal; Eaton, Paul C. Canard, N.S.; Edwards, Peter D. Sudbury, Ont.; Elliott, Sinclair P. Melvern Square, N.S.; Ellis, Patricia J., Ottawa; Ferguson, Thomas H. Montreal; Fielder, George A. La Gabelle, Que.; Finnimore, David B. Saint John, N.B.; Fitzpatrick, John M. Ottawa; Friend, William G. Ottawa; Gilchrist, Earle De M. Cambridge, N.B.; Gilmore, Franklin C. Kenwick, Prince George, B.C.; Horne, Horace D. Jamaica; Harkness, George E. Trois-Rivières, Que.; Harvey, Patricia M. Bellevue Cove, (Distinction), Bernard G. Cookshire, Que.; Hopper, William D. Ottawa; Hutchison, Aubrey W. The Cutler Shield, Fredericton, N.B.; Lacroix, Jeanne F. Montreal; Lambrough, David B. R. Salisbury, N.B.; Lawrence, Harold C. Lewisville, N.S.; Leeson, Lenore, Lennoxville, N.S.; Lockhart, Chesley L. Coldbrook Station, N.S.; Lyons, Leslie A. McK., Montreal; Macdonald, Robert L. Sussex, N.B.; Macdonald, Roderick, Gabarus, N.S.; McEwen, Freeman L. Bristol, N.S.; McGee, William J. Macleod, N.S.; MacKechie, James D. The Stern Cup, Wyman, Que.; McKinley, William D. Macleod, N.S.; MacLellan, Charles R. St. Catharines, Ont.; MacLennan, Donald S. Macleod, N.S.; MacNeil, Walter S. Truro, N.S.; MacNeil, Malcolm C. Dominion, N.S.; MacPherson, Boyd W. Kingston, N.B.; Macne, Duncan E. Middle River, N.S.; MacVannell, Alexander P. Ottawa; Mair, Arlington S. Campbellton, N.B.; Matheson, Balleen H. Sydney, N.S.; Maxwell, Ian T. St. Anne de Bellevue; Moore, Ralph E. Macdonald College; Morrison, John E. Macleod, N.S.; Muirhead, Robert C. Macdonald College; Hess, Robert W. Sennerville, Que.; Outhet, Murray McL. Macdonald College; Payne, Thomas M. B. (distinction), Macdonald College; Pierce, Milford H. Berwick, N.S.; Plessers, Arthur G. Macdonald College; Radford, Joseph J. Toronto; Read, Charles T. Coleman, P.E.I.; Redmond, Lewis V. South Alton, N.S.; Roberts, William J. Montreal; St. Jacques, S. (distinction), Kentville, N.S.; Scarlett, Arthur L. Bradford, Mass.; Sherwood, Richard Uham, N.S.; Smith, Donald S. Galt, Ont.; Smith, Edgar H. Macdonald College; Smith, James C. Sutton, Que.; Stewart, Frank A. Ottawa, Ont.; Swaine, Eric G. Montreal; Thompson, Hazen S. Frelighsburg, Que.; Townsley, Bruce G. Truro, N.S.; Toye, David E. Montreal; Tracey, Paul M. Centreville, N.B.; Vanstone, Donald M. Macleod, N.S.; Vanstone, Macdonald College; Wilkinson, Lawrence P. Montreal; Williams, Jane B. P. Moonstone, Ont.; Wright, Joan A. Montreal; Wright, Philip A. Lennoxville.

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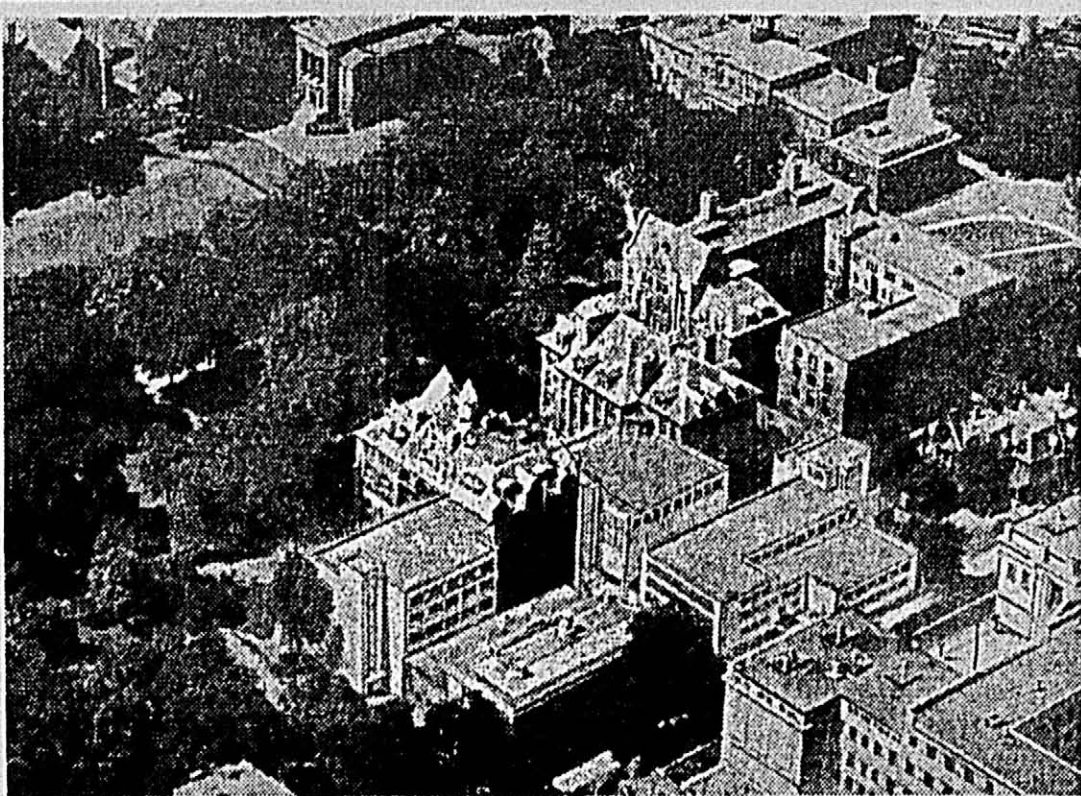
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Prize List

Diploma I: M. S. Lishman and J. R. Reynolds, Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for high standing in the year.
Diploma II: D. T. Lister, Minister of Agriculture.



THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES CENTRE as it will look from the air when it is completed. The Physics, Chemistry and Engineering buildings will be connected by the new sections of the centre which have been sketched into the aerial view of the campus. The Montreal High School is in the lower right-hand corner of the picture and the Arts building just to the right of top centre.

Agriculture's Medal for highest standing in dairy farming group, B. C. Lister, La Ferme Prize for best project. 1st, 2nd and 3rd Year Results
Results of first, second and third year final examinations in the faculty of agriculture and school of household science and in the first year of the diploma course at Macdonald College were released yesterday.
In the agriculture course, W. E. Vanstone won the Lieutenant Governor's Medal in first year; Kathleen Boyce, I.O.D.E. Scholarship and K. A. Walsh, Chemical Institute of Canada Prize in third year.
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Each (a) in the pass list indicates a supplemental examination required.

Woolton—P. 3

Lewis, this Liverpool and Manchester firm.
Fifteen years he was chairman of He became a peer in 1939 and, a year later, was chosen by Prime Minister Churchill to direct Britain's new food-rationing system. He became chairman of the Conservative Party in 1946 and remains an outstanding political figure and a keen supporter of Anglo-American friendship and Empire trade.
The Publisher
Col. the Hon. John Jacob Astor, publisher of the London Times, is the third eminent Englishman who will receive the honorary degree of LL.D. at McGill's May 29 Convocation.

Born in 1896, Col. Astor saw military service both before and during the First World War. He had served in India for three years previous to the war and, during the actual hostilities, fought gallantly and received severe wounds.
Following the war he was an alderman of the London County Council and a member of the House of Commons. It is, however, as chairman of The Times Publishing Company and president of the Empire Press Union that he has received the greatest renown.

New University—P. 3

ated as a university department would be preferable to a students' co-op for two main reasons. The yearly turnover of personnel of student executive bodies precludes a continuity of supervision, and students are not in as good a position as university authorities to deal with the chairmen of departments and with publishers in the matter of ordering textbooks.
The impossibility of providing space during the last few years has prevented the setting up of the store before now, although in 1946 a committee appointed by the principal recommended that a bookstore be opened immediately.

McGill NFCUS—P. 3

ording to the following qualifications:
1) The student must be in his penultimate year at present (1949-50 Session); 2) The student must be planning to return to the university which he left in the spring to complete his final year; 3) The student must have a high scholastic standing; 4) The Student must have shown an interest in extra-curricular activities; 5) A working knowledge of French and English must be possessed by the student.
McGill University is entitled to send eight delegates to Fort Lennox. These students have been chosen by a committee consisting of Mr. T. H. Matthews (registrar), Mr. Colin McCallum (president Students Society) Leonard Harbour and George Stephen (co-chairman of NFCUS).

The students selected are:

Jim Cartier, B.A. 4; John Ballon, Med. 2; Yvan Morin, B.C.L. 1; Perry Black, B.A. 3; Felice Rodriguez, B.S.W.1; John Pepper, B. Cl. 1; Andre D'Allemagne, B.Com.3.

Large Exodus—P. 3

would mean that a larger proportion of graduate lawyers than usual would have to find their way into lines of business where legal training is an asset.
"As usual, the BAS in arts and sciences make up the greatest single group in the Class of '50. There are

5,310 of them and placement is slower than usual. But since the BA's normally are more flexible in their job requirements, the people concerned with their placement are not unduly troubled about them at the moment.
"The finding of jobs is no trouble at all to those who graduate in medicine, dentistry, nursing, social work and a number of smaller faculties. Teaching, too is still wide open. A report of the Canadian Education Association sets the total shortage of teachers (excluding Newfoundland) at 10,860. It is estimated that by 1957 the need will be 16,000.

Duet to Investigate Rainstorm Causes

Radar will be used to discover what causes a rainstorm this summer by two McGill physics professors, Dr. Marshall and Dr. Hilschfeld.
A radar set will be moved from Dawson to Dorval where the two observers will use it to observe the development of approaching storms thereby unearthing the cause of rain and snow. Coupled with knowledge obtained from lab experiments this information will be used to confirm existing theories and further advance artificial rain-making technique.

Prof. G.J. Dodd Retires From McGill Faculty

This year the Engineering Faculty bids farewell to Professor Geoffrey J. "Pappy" Dodd. Professor Dodd leaves McGill after forty-three years of acquaintance with this Royal Institution.
This acquaintance started in 1907 when Prof. Dodd came to McGill as a freshman to study engineering with a scholarship from the Jamaican Government. After graduation in 1911 he joined the Grand Trunk Railway and in 1913 was asked to lecture in mathematics, and demonstrate in civil engineering. He joined the Canadian Engineers as a

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is not difficult," and proceed to prove a theory on six blackboards each erased three times. Professor Dodds' sympathetic attitude to student engineers is well-known and many take advantage of it to consult him on their problems.
Speaking of the retirements of Professors Burr, Graham and Dodd, Dean O'Neill has made the following statement: "The retirement of Professors Burr, Graham, and Dodd from Engineering is regretted by staff and students alike. Their long years of service have enriched the teaching and standards of the faculty, and their colleagues with

Fencing Club Enjoys Successful Semester

The McGill Fencing Club under the capable management of Gerry McCoughey and coaching of George Tulley concluded a very successful and enjoyable season. The club, which is co-ed, fulfilled its aim of social and athletic enjoyment. The girl's manager was Lenore Griffin. Bob Cordozo of the Redmen was the leading fencer at the Inter-

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collegiate meet winning the Individual Intercollegiate championship and the Tully trophy. The other three members of the collegiate team were Hank Lehrer, Gerry McCoughey, and Bernard Gordon. Cordozo and Lehrer are both leaving McGill this year. Coach Tully will be back and with a new fencing room, new equipment and new pupils, he hopes to regain the team championship for McGill.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. J. Altham who has completed this year a quarter century of service to the McGill student body as a member of the Union staff; and to M. Josh Booth, manager of the billiard room, who is 70 years of age this month. Josh came to McGill in 1926.

private in 1914 and received his commission overseas in 1916. While serving in France and after surviving many violent engagements Prof. Dodd was seriously injured while playing goal for his soccer team.

He was then appointed to Aldershot and when the war was over took part in the formation of the Khaki College. Prof. Dodd returned to Canada in 1919 and rejoined the university that fall.
Professor Dodd is one of the foremost structural engineers in Canada and has been a consultant on many involved projects. On retirement Pappy will take up residence in Jamaica, from which he has returned many times sporting a Californian tan.
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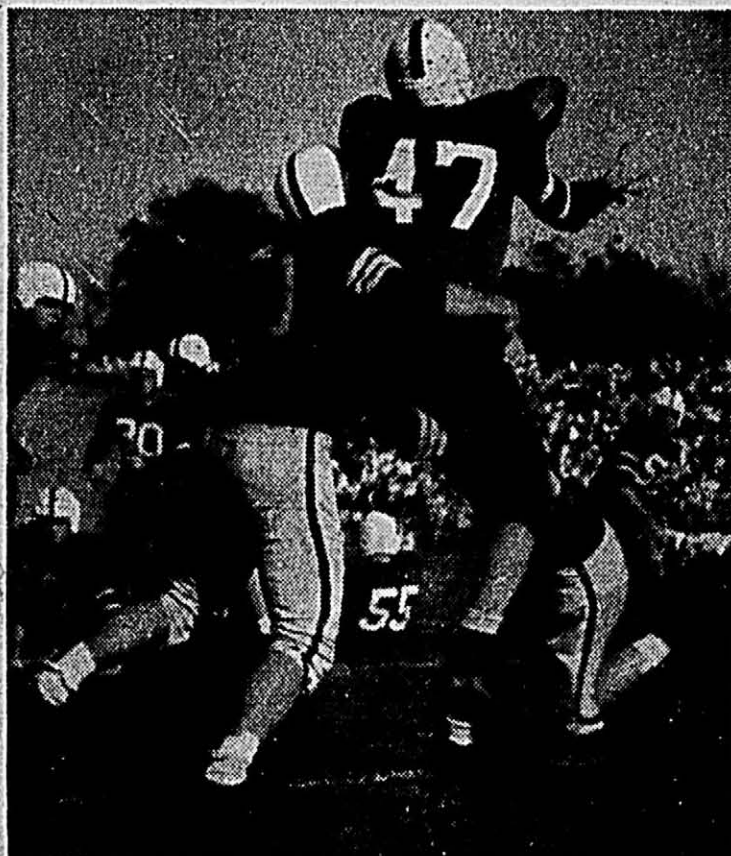
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Sports Highlights of the Year



The first indication that Moe Abramovitz would have a winning basketball team last year was when his McGill team defeated the Windsor quintet in a regular M.B.L. game. The above picture shows the team flashing their first victory smile. This was one of the best games of the season and the McGill team improved steadily after this game. At the top left is Coach Moe Abramovitz. This

was Moe's first year as McGill coach. Molly Camp, lower left, was the highest scorer on the McGill women's basketball team. At the top right is Dave Caldwell, end on the football team and guard on the basketball team. Bottom right is Ellie Godol, one of the stars of the Intermediate basketball team. Ellie is also noted for his golfing prowess as he was runner-up in the Intramural Golf Meet.



Is it or is it not interference? That was the question when this picture was seen. George Valois of McGill is seen tackling Bill Ford of Western. This action took place in the first game of the season at London.



On the top row at the left is seen Johnny Newman, one of the better linemen of the McGill team. In the middle is Bob MacAllister who played end on the football team and who is noted for his boxing ability. Above is Jeff Crain who is considered one of the better prospects on the intermediate team. Lower left is Hank Sliwka who played half on the intermediate team and next to him is Marv Melowitz, the winner of the best lineman award.



Rock Robillard, winner of the Wigle trophy, was named assistant football and assistant hockey coach.



COACH ORR



The above action shot shows goalie Bob Maclellan taking a sure fire goal off the league-leading scorer Andre Charest of U. of M. The action came in a torrid second period of the Winter Carnival game, which the U. of M. finally won, 9-6, in overtime.

The Carabins were ahead, 6-5, at the close of the second period and as play progressed during the third, the Therrien crew played defensive hockey, seemingly content with their one-goal lead. However, at the 16-minute mark, Gene Robillard took a rink wide pass from defenceman Rube Zemel, completely outfooted the Carabin defence, and with a beautifully well-placed shot, sent the game into overtime, a fitting climax to a thrill-packed game, definitely a sports highlight of the year.

Charlie Sanderson (above left) was the winner of the Bobby Bell Trophy, donated for the first time this year by the Dental Association.

Brian O'Neill, at right, was the right winger on the high-scoring line of Irving, Rock Robillard and O'Neill. This was his first year with the Senior team and with the added experience should do even better next season.

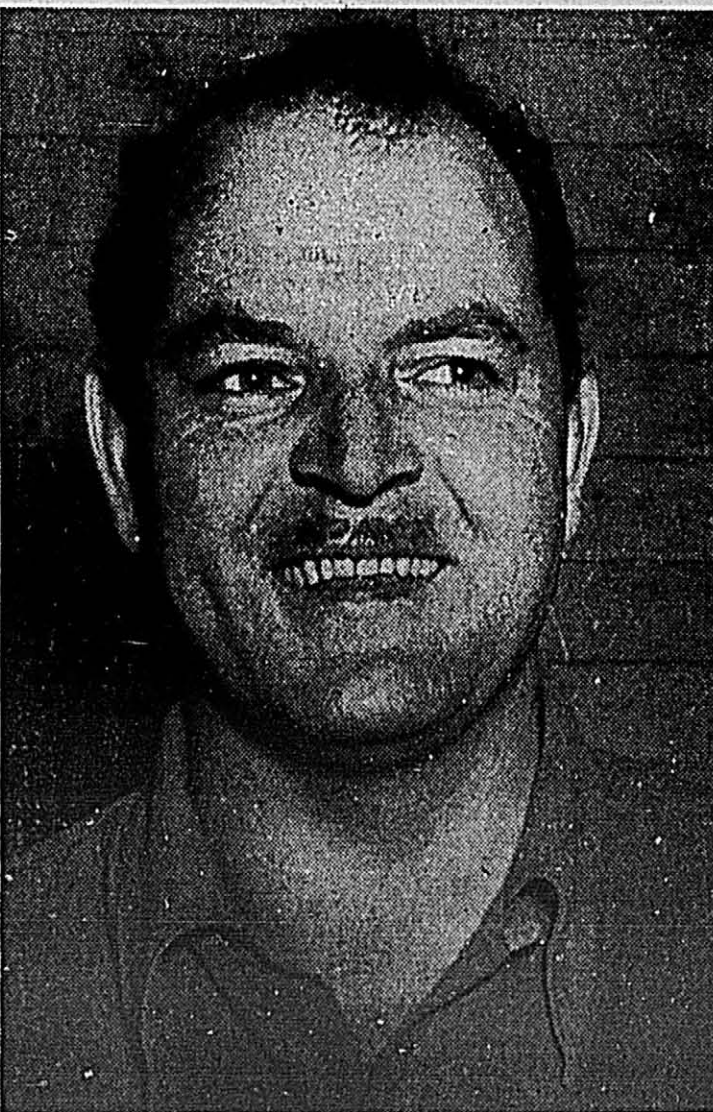
McGill Rifle Team Retains Championship

For the second successive year the McGill Rifle Club team beat all comers for the Canadian Inter-University Rifle Team Championship. Their score of 1483, out of a possible of 1500, placed them ahead of six other college teams, including the University of Manitoba with 1482 and R.M.C. with 1481. The McGill team consisted of Edson Warner, captain; Lee White, Karl Hendrickson, George Fulford, Melville Golt, Arthur MacRae and Basil Parsons. Lee White's 256 out of a possible 300 placed him third among the forty-nine competitors.

Edson Warner, of Lennoxville, Quebec, retained his title of Quebec Sporting Rifle Champion in a match with 93 other shooters. His score of 1174 out of 1200 equalled that of George Sutton, of the Dundee Rifle Club. Ed won the tie by having 81 shots in the x-ring, in the centre of the bullseye, compared to Mr. Sutton's 67.

At the Province of Quebec Rifle Association's First Annual Indoor Tournament, the first shoot of its kind ever held in Canada, at the Hussar's Armory on April 1 and 2, Ed walked away with the 22 sporting rifle honors.

MR. DAWSON



This smiling face needs no introduction to Dawsonites. It's Mr. Dawson, Em Orlick by name. Em has been something of an institution around the St. John's branch ever since its inception back in 1945. Prior to that he was an assistant professor in the Department of Physical Education at McGill; all in all energetic Em has been attached to the University for a total of 10 years. The many boys who have worked and played under his direction during the past decade will regret his loss to the University.

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Wagner Hopes to Regain Collegiate Track Honors

Announcement that Olympic Ace Ernie McCulloch has registered at McGill University for next season has raised the stock of the Red and White track and field squad one hundred per cent. The addition of the former Notre Dame star to Coach Van Wagner's roster will bolster the team's chances to regain the coveted Tait MacKenzie Trophy, emblematic of Senior Intercollegiate Track honors, which they lost three years ago to the Blues from Toronto U.

Next season's meet will be held one week later than previously here in Montreal at Molson Stadium site of the previous loss to the Varsity crew. The group representing McGill will probably be much the same as the squad which lost out to U of T by only two points in a hard fought Meet at London Arena last fall. There may be one or two additions in the form of several local high school athletes who it is known have applied for admission to McGill.

Coach Van Wagner of the Red and White hopes to have a better conditioned team next fall. Most of the boys are planning on competing in various meets during the summer. Pete Robinson, speedy sprinter and

440 man Ian Coughlan are with the Naval Reserve and will probably be running for the Navy during the summer. Sandy Spence will be with Joey Richman's Trumps again this season, while hurdler Livingstone will add to his experience competing with the Montreal Track and Field club. Several of the other team prospects including Simmerman, Hyde, and Donnellan also plan to run in meets in the Montreal district this summer.



HOWIE RYAN, Director of Intramural Athletics and member of the Faculty of the School of Physical Education, who was awarded a scholarship for post-grad study in Physical Education, Health and Recreation by the National Council for Physical Fitness. Mr. Ryan will leave on June 2nd for New York University where he will study. He will return in September. He is a graduate of Acadia and Springfield Universities and has held various academic posts, among them that of Director of Athletics at University of New Brunswick. He came to McGill in 1947.

Foundation for Basketball Championship Built By Abramowitz

By OY LEWIS

Under the capable hands of mentor Moe Abramowitz, the fortunes of the McGill basketball squad have experienced a revival which rivals that of the football squad under Vic Obeck. Mentor Moe was induced to come out of retirement after building up the YMHA basketball team to its present position of eminence and try his hand at performing the same task on the unhappy Redmen. That he succeeded is proved by the results he has obtained.

The Redmen knocked off Toronto and Queen's and nearly succeeded in turning the same trick against Metras Mustangs. They come up with victories over several of the highly rated M.B.L. teams and put up a good show against their American opponents, the most notable being their victory against Curry College and the one pointer they dropped to Champlain.

Coach Abramowitz unveiled several classy looking rookies, among whom was Sheldon Merling, the 16-year-old whiz kid, who is rated as one of the top local hoop prospects. Also showing well were Asher Garbus, Dennis Skinner and Bruce Cunningham. The mentor also worked on Lanky Bud Fraser and as a result big Bud's last year was the best he enjoyed with the Redmen. Towards the end of the year Lou Endman showed flashes of the brilliance which has been expected of him since he came out of high school. All of which augurs well for next year.

Crystal Gazing Most of the squad will be back next year. Among the missing will be Bud Fraser and Myer Bloom, this year's captain. Next year's team will probably line up with Merling at centre, Endman and Wilson as forwards, with Dave

Natatorium Most Modern On Continent

The construction of the large building on Pine Avenue next to the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium is going ahead by leaps and bounds and by the beginning of the next session in October, McGill will have one of the most modern and up-to-date athletic plants on the North American continent.

For squash enthusiasts six new squash courts are being erected in the building while there will also be exercise rooms and most modern shower facilities adjoining the pool.

On the ground floor will be a modern Coffee Shop with accommodation for 100 as well as up-to-date soda fountain and cafeteria facilities.

A Memorial Hall will also be contained in the new structure.

Ryan's Program Successful Intramural Setup Enjoys Big Year

By HAROLD BERGEN

The figures on McGill's greatest year of Intramural Athletics have just been released, and they show—Sixteen hundred and forty students participated in sixteen sports for a total participation of sixty-four hundred and sixty.

These are cold figures, but underneath lies a tremendous amount of work by the McGill Intramural office under the capable direction of Howie Ryan. His work this year must certainly have been rewarding, for he declared at the Intramural closing banquet that, showing the same increase in popularity for the next three years, McGill will have an Intramural organization without a peer on the continent.

Among the plans for the next year is the merging of the Intramural Handbook into a McGill Athletic Handbook. Regular clinics and movies will be in order for the Intramural referee of 1950-51 who will have to pass written and practical exams on the sport at which he will officiate. Basketball referees will become eligible through the M.B.I. A fairer wage is also in store for the referee.

One of the biggest intramural attractions this year was Volleyball. Total participation topped eight hundred, almost double that of 1948-49. The faculty of Engineering garnered 335 points in Intramural competition to defend their 1949 championship. Physical Education was second with 300 points and Medicine third with 140.

Continuing with the fall sports, Tennis lacked nothing in the way of an enthusiastic turnout, but the decision of the Intramural Council to schedule definite hours

for the matches to be played rather than a time limit was an unfortunate one, there were many defaults. Arts and Science and Commerce held their 1949 supremacy with the former picking up 201 points and the latter 108.

Golf proved a successful, though small, Intramural pastime with the total participation increasing from 43 to 81. Repeating last year's result, Commerce took first place with 83 points while Engineering held onto the runnerup spot with 42 points.

Arts and Science racked up their second consecutive swimming championship by outpointing Medicine 150 to 114½.

Turning to winter sports, Basketball proved the most popular In-

tramural sport this year and although the number of participants declined somewhat from last year's 272, the total participation was 1,152, better than the preceding year. A Phys. Ed. team made Intramural history by taking the championship for the fourth year in a row. Their graduation this year will hardly diminish future basketball hopes of that faculty; Phys. Ed. III, this year's runner up, will be strong favorites to cop the laurels next season. Points awarded reflect this supremacy as Phys. Ed. teams gained a total of 465 points for their faculty and left Medicine and Engineering far behind with 315 and 200 points respectively.

Badminton rose tremendously in popularity this year, not only competitively, but also as a recreational sport. In Intramural action, individual participation increased from 55 to 128. Physical Education upped their aggregate pointage by 137 and they were followed by Arts and Science with 101 and Engineering with 93.

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Basketball Highlight of Women's Sports Year

By RHODA HARRIS

Although much more attention has been directed towards their brothers, the co-eds of our university have very actively participated in McGill's athletic program throughout these past eight months. Successful intercollegiate teams have upheld the honor and prestige of McGill and her female students, while the intramural setup has provided adequate competition and recreation for numerous girls whose ability is not sufficient for them to partake of more advanced groups.

The MWSAA (McGill Women Students Athletic Association) is the co-ordinating body of all women's sports on the campus. This year's president, Janie Robb, a graduating BA student who has been active in basketball and archery during her four years at McGill, speaks of the MWSAA as follows: "Having participated in several other activities, I find that the MWSAA is one of the most efficient organization on the campus. There is excellent enthusiasm among the girls; they wish to have exercise and good times, and to develop a friendly spirit towards others."

What sports does McGill offer her women students? Games as field hockey all the way down to leadership courses in children's recreational supervision are provided and new activities are continuously being added. Let us therefore briefly glance over the achievements of our women athletes during this year.

McGill archery enthusiasts battled against each other during the Silver Arrow Competition, but teamed together for the intercollegiate meet at Hamilton. Dorothy Spowart who hails from British Columbia won the former by capturing both the indoor and outdoor contests, while his squad notched fourth place at Hamilton.

Badminton is quickly becoming one of the most popular sports at McGill. An intercollegiate team, comprised of manager Lois Preston, Daintry Chisholm, Pat Bennett, and Sheila Smith travelled to Kingston, where a round robin was played against Queens, Toronto, and Western. McGill placed fourth, having played without the services of Bliss Matthews, who had broken a leg while skiing.

A Red and White team was entered in the Murray League; the squad finished in second place, one behind Westmount in this intercity play.

Daintry, Bliss and Lois participated in the city and district and in the provincial competitions, reaching the semi-finals in the former and the quarter finals in the latter.

Basketball once again stood out as the most popular game of them all. The intercollegiate team, represented by forwards Molly Camp, Margaret Dix, Isobel Cleugh, Pat Griffiths, Joy MacLeod and Hjorda's 'Chuckie' Christensen, and guards Pat Wallace, Roberta Tyler, Janie Robb, Edith Aston, Gloria Victor and Isobel Irwin tied for first place with Toronto. However the team with the highest total points was declared the winner, and Varsity won the 'Bronze Baby' by a three-point margin. This was a tough break for the McGillians, who had missed the trophy in the previous year by just one basket.

The teams were entered in the Women's Open Basketball League. The Red squad won the championship by dropping but one game, while their sister team, the Whites, placed second. A Junior McGill group captured the Sir George Williams Ladies' Club trophy for their success against the junior teams of the WOBL.

The intramural basketball result was nothing short of sensational. Team 17 of the Friday League defeated the Tuesday League in the finals, with this final game being the only tilt in which the winners participated. Captain Bernice Bloom reports that her team had won all their regular scheduled games by default.

McGill's fencers, Lenore Griffin, Pat Carson, Sue Brady and Ljuba Van Eyken defeated St. Lawrence University. Lenore captured the George Tully Trophy, donated by the team's coach for the intramural championship, and the beginner's prize was awarded to freshette Sue Brady. McGill may well be proud of student Betty Hamilton, a member of the Canadian fencing team at the British Empire games this year.

Those who are interested in field hockey will be disappointed to learn that this sport will not continue next year. In its place a women's soccer team is to be formed. About the only three games still not undertaken by our university co-eds are boxing, wrestling and football.

The junior and senior modern dance clubs again enjoyed a successful year. The season culminated in a recital held on March 9 and 10, in which the girls displayed the dances and costumes which they themselves had created.

The rifle club, now no longer affiliated with that of the boys' boasts about thirty members. Outstanding shooters are manager Pat Thompson, Jenny Burroughs, Ann Winter and Joyce Clearthue.

This year's weather proved most unfavorable for Canada's favorite (Continued on page 12).



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initiative, ambition, or the hard, cold world of commerce in which the fagins of finance earn the money that supports institutions, however Royal, such as this.

I refuse to state that "brains don't matter, it's character that counts" or list all the statesmen, soldiers, and millionaires who were duffers in school. The discussion of a university graduate's duties, opportunities, or "role in (substitute name of country here) tomorrow," I leave to those who never attended a university. They do it so well. And so often.

I refuse to mention Democracy, Idealism, Canada's Role, the Future, the Function Of a University, Provincial Rights, The Red Menace, or Mother. If I had a flag I wouldn't wave it. Indeed, I'd hold it over my head to protect my new suit and this uncomfortable regalia which the Faculty has so kindly lent me. It always rains at out-door Convocations.

By now you probably realize that I am not the sort of person who ought to make a Convocation address. I whole-heartedly agree with you. My only consolation can be that I told you so myself. Usually the graduates have to find these things about Convocation speakers out for themselves.

You may be so impertinent to wonder why I'm here at all. I'll tell you. I accepted this honorary degree for a number of reasons. Firstly, they asked me to speak on a subject I knew something about. I chose to speak about myself. Most Convocation speakers do likewise. Secondly, I was taught as a lad always to profit by the mistakes of others. Thirdly, I knew that I'd get an excellent lunch at the Faculty Club, and, finally, the hood of the last degree I earned keeps slipping down and pinning my arms to my sides so that I can never turn the pages of a Convocation programme. This one doesn't.

I think that's all. I know that I ought to toss in a little Latin and Greek — it's a tradition — but at McGill that's inadvisable. The last speaker who spoke in Latin at McGill greatly embarrassed the poor man who followed him, a former principal, and if I used any Greek it would be Greek to everyone except the professors of classics.

I think I'll sit down now and, to prevent myself from looking as bored as the other distinguished gentlemen on this platform, I'll attempt to calculate how many rabbits and sheep had to die to make all this possible.

My only advice to you is to start looking for a job right away.

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ents passed me as I stood outside the examination room, one-half an hour before the end of the examination. One would almost think they were attempting to delude their professor," he said, shaking his head doubtfully.

"Surely not!" I exclaimed. "Probably their watches were fast."

Laughter

Professor Wopsle seemed eager to continue his work, so I thanked him and turned to leave.

"By the way," he said, "I don't believe I got your name."

"Reid, sir. I took one of your courses this year."

"Reid... Reid! Yes, I remember your paper," he said, laughing heartily. "Well! I hope you have a pleasant summer, Mr. Reid!"

Professor Wopsle was still laughing as he closed the door.

His last remark puzzles me.

Basketball—P. 11

winter sport — skiing. Nevertheless McGill's team including manager Frances Hodge, Katherine Coit, Anne Bushel, Connie Butlinger and Jo-Anne Hewson did manage to see some action. Jo-Anne established an international record for the Mount Baldy downhill at St. Marguerite. Rosemarie Schutz was unable to ski for McGill this year as she was representing Canada at the North American Championships at Banff. Both Jo-Anne and Rosemarie are eagerly looking forward to the Olympic tryouts next year.

A ski house, capable of housing eleven girls at St. Adele is open every week-end for McGill co-eds. An inexpensive skiing week-end is provided for anyone who is interested.

Squash players Anne Johnson, Diane Lillie, Pauline Ramsey, Kay Mason, Alice Stuart and Manager Jane Brechley downed the MAAA, but were not as successful against the Montreal Badminton and Squash Club.

Shirley Holden, Anne Hopd, Diane Seagram, Ruth Welsman, Alfreda Redgell, Joan Mount, manager Joan Croll, Barbara Watson, and Joan Mingie, members of the swimming squad, defeated Carlton College on February 11 by a single point and later went on to top Queens. The mermaids are anxiously looking forward to next year when McGill will have a swimming pool of its own.

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